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In re Application of:

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For: METHOD FOR MEASURING
STRESS LEVELS IN
POLYMERIC COMPOSITIONS

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 27, 2003, the Applicants provide the following Amendment and Response. Please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Cancel claims ~~52-55~~ and add new claims 56-61.

56. (New) A method as set forth in claim 43, further comprising determining the level of stress in the polymeric or pre-polymeric composition from the magnetic characteristic.

57. (New) A method as set forth in claim 43, further comprising determining the volume or quantity of the polymeric or pre-polymeric composition from the magnetic characteristic.

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